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Dear Mr. McKeown:

This is in response to your letter received 07 April 2006 inquiring about the status of U.S. patent application 10/559,376 filed 06 December 2005. The USPTO records show that the application has been accepted for entry into the national stage in the United States as of 14 March 2006 and is currently in Tech Center 2873. Please address further inquiries with regard to the status of this application directly to Jose Dees, the Special Programs Examiner in Group 2800 at telephone number (571) 272-1569.

Sincerely,

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